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- ☐ The filing fee of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ submitted in this application is insufficient.

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- ☐ There are 5 independent claims in this case.

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